

## MICHIGAN WORKS! AND BAY COLLEGE LEAD JOB SEEKER TO CAREER

When Uriah Kuhlman came to the Michigan Works! Service Center in Alger County, he was in the process of a career change. One of the first steps taken was to identify his interest, skills, abilities and work preferences to aid with targeting the right career choice. Once Uriah was able to identify the career cluster for his interests, he was then able to recognize the types of jobs he may want to consider. Uriah began matching his interest in the Technology field with education opportunities in the area and began developing a career plan. Through research, a welding program offered at Bay De Noc Community College was identified. Labor market information and statistics available at Michigan

Works! identified job opportunities with high growth projected for the Upper Peninsula, and Uriah was able to make an informed decision to enroll in the welding class offered at Bay.

Within one year, Uriah successfully completed the welding courses and obtained a welding certificate and the occupational skills needed to gain employment. Within a few weeks of obtaining his credentials, Uriah was hired full time by a manufacturing company out of Escanaba as a welder.

Uriah comments, "Michigan Works! has been a great help in assisting with resume building, watching for new jobs in my area of study and also assisting me to get the ap-

propriate tools and equipment I needed to do my schooling and my new job. Thank you very much Michigan Works! You have been a great help!"



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